

# Town of Lake Lure - Lake Advisory Board

## - Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting -

The Lake Advisory Board held their regular monthly meeting at the Town of Lake Lure Municipal Center on Monday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

### **Attendees:**

Bo Williams (chairperson)  
Gary Hasenfus  
Bob Keith  
Robin Proctor  
Chris Braund  
Bill Beason  
Dean Givens (Dir. Lake Ops.)

### **Non-Attending Members:**

Jeanine Noble (council liaison)  
Wiley Bourne (vice-chair)

### **Guests:**

Blaine Cox  
Tommy For (sp?)

### **General Meeting Actions:**

- Chairperson Bo Williams called the meeting to order at 5:35p.m.
- After discussion, Bob Keith made a motion, seconded by Gary, to approve the minutes of the February 2009 regular meeting as written. The vote of approval was unanimous.
- See below for individual reports
- Robin Proctor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m., seconded by Gary Hasenfus. The vote of approval was unanimous.

### **Public Forum:**

- Tommy For (Hendersonville) discussed a proposal for a new commercial canoe rental business on Lake Lure. The Board recommended that Mr. For prepare a more detailed business plan to accompany an application for a lake commercial license then appear again before the Lake Advisory Board again to review.

### **Individual Meeting Reports and Actions:**

#### **Lake Operations Administrator – Dean Givens reported:**

- Given 2 warnings, 1 citation for not having a valid boat permit
- 3 hours of patrol this month
- Plans for the re-engineering and re-grading of the dredge spoils pit on Morse Park peninsula are nearly done. After the bid process and award, the work is expected to be done by May. The spoils area off of Boys Camp Road will receive a similar re-engineering in a future project, including stabilization of the bank to prevent erosion into the river.
- Discussion on enforcement philosophy for boaters that do not get a permit prior to the first use of their boat (warnings are given in January and February, tickets are given on second offense).

#### **Town Council / Marine Commission Liaison – Jeanine Noble reported:**

- No Report

#### **Emergency Preparedness & Response – Bob Keith reported:**

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- No Report

### **Dredging & Watershed Stabilization – Bill Beason reported:**

- No Report

### **Commercial & Recreational - Bo Williams reported:**

- The Marina will open for the season on March 14<sup>th</sup> and be open from 10-5 on weekends in the month of March. Weekday gas sales can be arranged by calling ahead. From April 1 to October 31, Marina hours will be 10am to 6pm every day.
- Improvements to the gas dock and marina building are being planned in next year's budget. Proposed lake-related spending and projects will be brought for review by the Lake Advisory Board prior to submittal to Town Council.
- Bob reported that the Dragon Boat racing festival is coming up on May 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fishery & Ecosystem – Gary Hasenfus reported:**

- We filed our fish stocking applications with NC WRC (for multiple years). We've made arrangements to buy 18-20,000 threadfin shad from Alabama. Depending on the weather, we aim to stock in March or April.

### **Lake Structures – Wiley Bourne reported:**

- No Report

### **Dam & Sewer Operations, Water Quality – Robin Proctor reported:**

- Chris reported that the sewer treatment plant S.O.C. and connection moratorium have expired with all requirements met by the town. Our monthly flows averaged 72% of our maximum capacity, which keeps us clear of moratoriums but needs to be significantly reduced through the reduction of infiltration/inflow. The town is also working on developing a sewer allocation policy that would clarify the process of providing connection "guarantees".

### **Regulations & Law Enforcement - Chris Braund reported:**

- Due to my appointment as Town Manager, I will resign from the Lake Advisory Board. The council will need to appoint a replacement in their April meeting.

### **Other Business**

- None

### **Recap of Motions Passed:**

- None

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### Open Action Items:

Open Actions	Owner	Update
Recommend amendment language to Lake Structures Regulations that would remove or clarify the references to electrical and plumbing modifications in section 94.06 (B)	Amos	
Recommend amendment language to Lake Use Regulations that would establish a probationary period for new lake commercial license holders. (1/09)	Chris	
Evaluate how the lake structure regulations treat canopies as decktop accessory structures. For example, engineering drawings and LSAB application/approval are required. Should there be regulatory distinctions for canopies vs. more permanently constructed units? (8/09)	Wiley	Fall 2008 – the board discussed possible changes that would excluded temporary structures (those not installed permanently, or remaining up for a limited number of hours or days) from the regulations.
Prepare a multi-year fishery management plan that addresses a comprehensive set of activities—including fish stocking. (11/08)	Gary and Dean	Sources: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Blue Ridge Ecological recommendations</li> <li>Discussions with NC WRC</li> <li>Input from local fishermen</li> <li>Budget</li> </ul>
Convene an LAB subcommittee to meet with town attorneys and town council with the purposed of developing grandfathering provisions for the Lake Structures regulations. (3/08)	Chris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workshop to be scheduled</li> </ul>
Once an approach to grandfathering of lake structures is finalized, the board needs to re-visit the development of specific standards for multi-dwelling lake structures.	Wiley	
Prepare draft Standard Operating Procedures manual chapters for each area of responsibility. (3/08)	All LAB members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Templates provided</li> <li>Law Enforcement draft completed</li> <li>Dredging &amp; Watershed stabilization draft completed</li> </ul>
Prepare and submit the draft Lake Advisory Committee bylaws for review and approval by the town council/marine commission. (1/08)	Chris	

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### Closed Action Items:

Closed Actions	Owner	Update
Collect historical lake temperature readings from VWIN; format and post to town website	Dean Chris	Done – although no readings have been taken in offseason months. Dean will explore the possibility of an automated temperature readings posted to the website (similar to lake level readings)
Draft an initial version of committee member responsibilities [by area] (12/07)	Chris	Distributed to all Board members, included in draft Charter/Bylaws
Work with town staff and police department to communicate the elimination of the winter catch & release period. (12/07)	Gary	Done
Request support from town staff in preparing minutes from tape recordings of LAC meetings. (1/08)	Chris	Done
Provide standard operating procedures templates to each member for their area of responsibility. (2/08)	Chris	Done
Obtain signage for the non-motorized boat launch ramp near the ABC store. (1/08)	Bo & Dean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Just need to add “LL boat permit required” language</li> </ul>
Identify the language needed to clarify the “annual” on the annual boat permits and in the guide to lake rules. (3/08)	Dean & Chris	Done
Prepare a letter to the LAB & Marine Commission on his problems with Todd’s RV & Marine. (5/08)	Dean	Done
Communicate to Ron Morgan and the fireboat crew the sensitivity to the wake generated by the fireboat...for other boaters, lakefront properties. They should make every effort possible to minimize high-speed runs near other boats. (6/08)	Bob	Done

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### Board Recommendations to the Council / Marine Commission:

Recommendation	Date	Status
The Lake Advisory Board recommends that the town install a channel through the peninsula that separates the beach area from the mouth of Pool Creek.	May 2008	Town staff evaluated the site during the week of 10/13 – DWQ will also be consulted.
The Lake Advisory Board recommends that Town Council consider re-naming the Town Marina to the Washburn Marina in honor of the Washburn Family and their service to Lake Lure.	June 2008	Done Next action: new signage will be coordinated by the Director of Lake Operations – in the next fiscal year.
The Lake Advisory Board recommends to the Town Council (1) that the town consider banning the feeding of all waterfowl by residents and/or tourists on town property in an effort to eventually eliminate the geese problem, and (2) that the town should look into solutions for long-term geese control.	July 2008	(1) Done (2) Research being done by Director of Lake Operations
The Lake Advisory Board recommends to the Marine Commission the amendment of the fishing regulations (size and creel limits) in section 1.02 of the Lake Use Regulations to match the default statewide fishing regulations.	July 2008	Done